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Virginia firms to provide simulation and flight services to NASA

The General Services Administration (GSA) has selected Unisys Corporation of McLean, VA, to support simulation and flight technical services for NASA's Langley Research Center, located in Hampton, VA. The work is valued at more than \$44 million over eight years.

Major subcontractors to Unisys Corporation for this effort will be Data Systems & Technology, Inc. of Reston, VA; PSI International, Inc. of Fairfax, VA, and Science and Technology Corporation of Hampton.

The procurement, jointly evaluated by GSA and NASA, was awarded under one of GSA's existing "Millennia" contracts. Day-to-day administration of the work will be performed by personnel from Langley.

The work consists of support for NASA Langley's ground-based and in-flight simulators as well as integration laboratories. In addition to Langley Research Center staff, researchers from other NASA installations, the Federal Aviation Administration, the Department of Defense, other government organizations, industry and various educational institutions will use the facilities. Work is expected to begin May 1, 2001.

Part of GSA's mission is to provide contracts that all Federal agencies may use to procure support. This Task Order will be a cost-plus-fixed-fee, performance-based task. Project Assignments will be issued for work within the scope of the Task Order.

Established in 1917 as the first national civil aeronautics laboratory, NASA Langley is a world-class center for aeronautics, earth science, space technology, and structures and materials research. Seventy percent of Langley's effort is in aeronautics research, working to improve today's aircraft and to develop concepts for future aircraft. The Center supports the nation's space program by conducting a dynamic program in atmospheric sciences, seeking a more detailed understanding of the Earth's atmosphere. Langley researchers are also developing technology for advanced space transportation systems and for small spacecraft and instruments.